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## Spectrum and Morphology of the Fermi Bubbles

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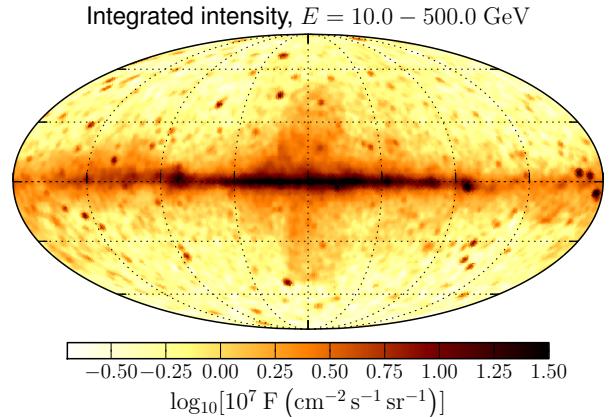
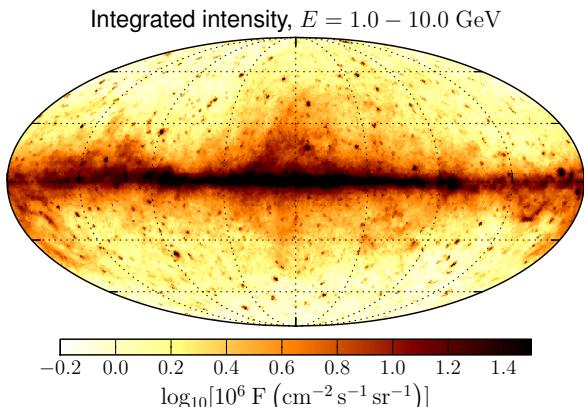
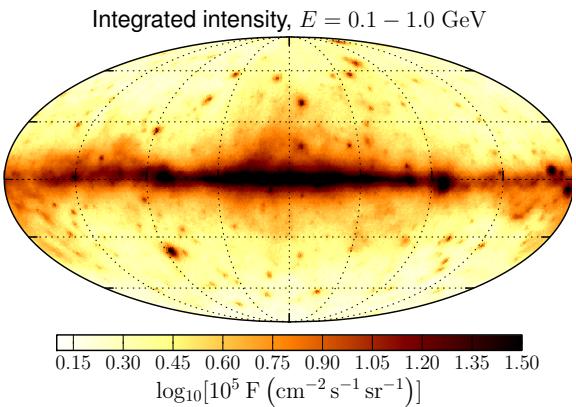
**5<sup>th</sup> Fermi Symposium, Nagoya, Japan**

**SLAC**

OKIPAC



- **50 months of data**
- **Pass 7 reprocessed data set**
- **Ultraclean class**
- **Galactic plane masked for  $|b| > 10^\circ$**
- **Data are binned**
  - **25 logarithmic energy bins from 100 MeV to 500 GeV**
  - **Spatial binning with HEALPix ( $0.9^\circ$  resolution)**



# Galactic Diffuse Modeling

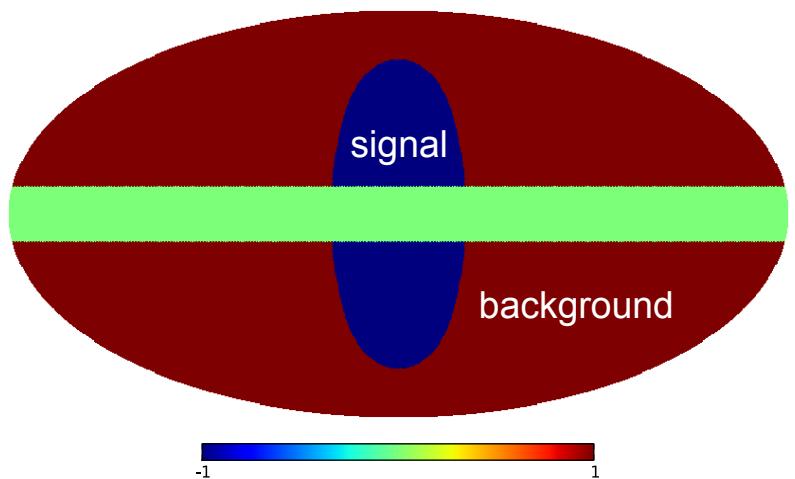


- Two methods
  - One based on Galactic propagation code **GALPROP**
    - Assumptions about CR source distribution etc.
  - The other one data driven
    - Does not depend on **GALPROP**
    - Uses features of gamma-ray data to define templates for Galactic diffuse components
- Combination of both methods gives a handle on systematic uncertainties

# Bubble Template



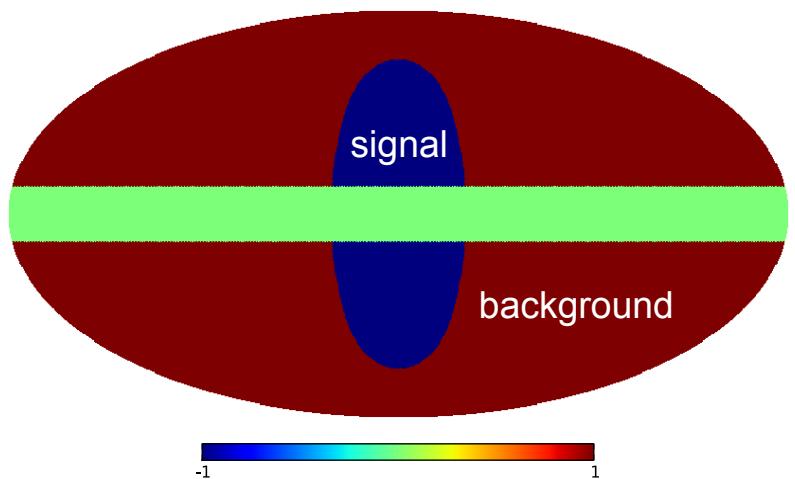
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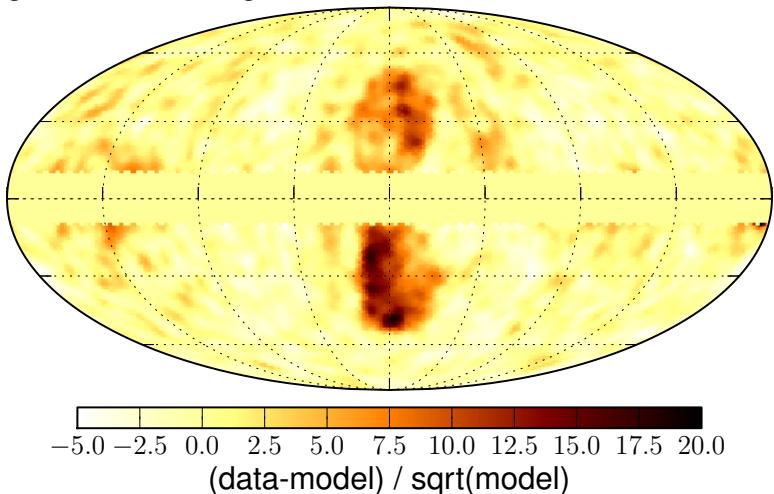
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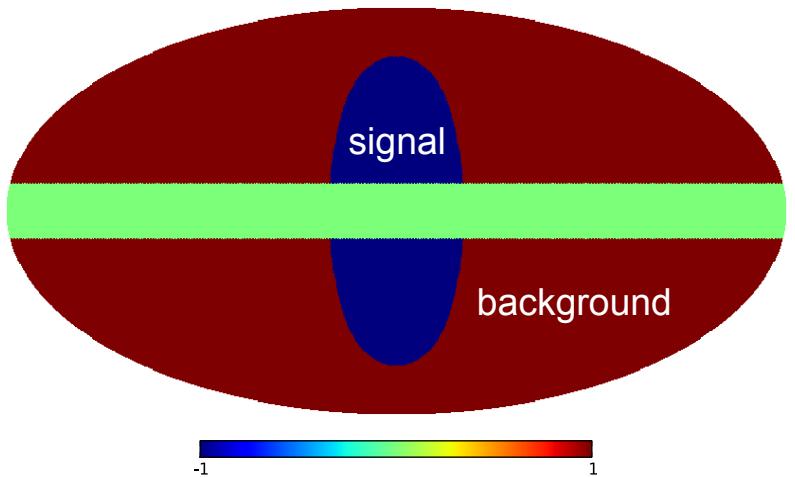
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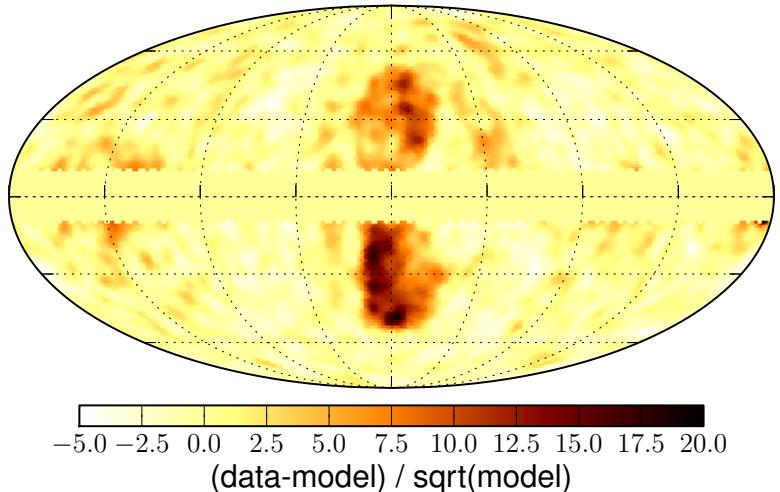
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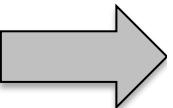
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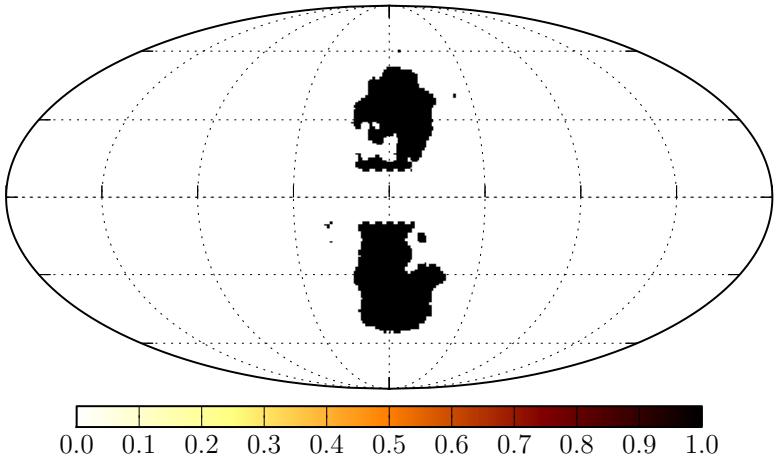
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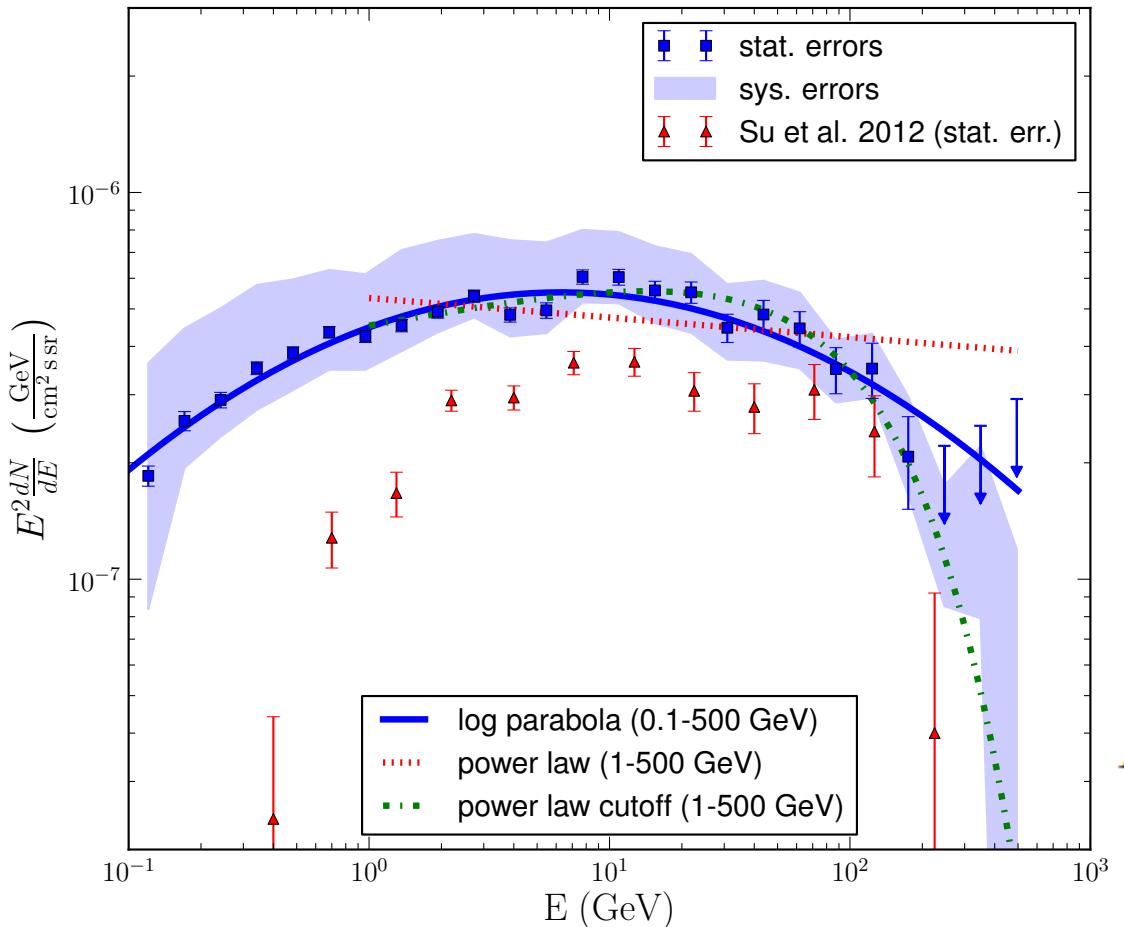
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threshold



Bubbles Template Flat (residual map,  $3.0 \sigma_{BG}$  cut)



# Spectrum



Spectrum obtained from all-sky fit (excluding  $|b| < 10^\circ$ ) with diffuse and bubble templates free

Shift in normalization can be explained by different:

- foreground modeling
- definition of the bubble template
- mask of Galactic plane

Cut off at:

$$E_{\text{cut}} = 113 \pm 19[\text{stat}]^{+45}_{-53}[\text{syst}] \text{ GeV}$$

Index:

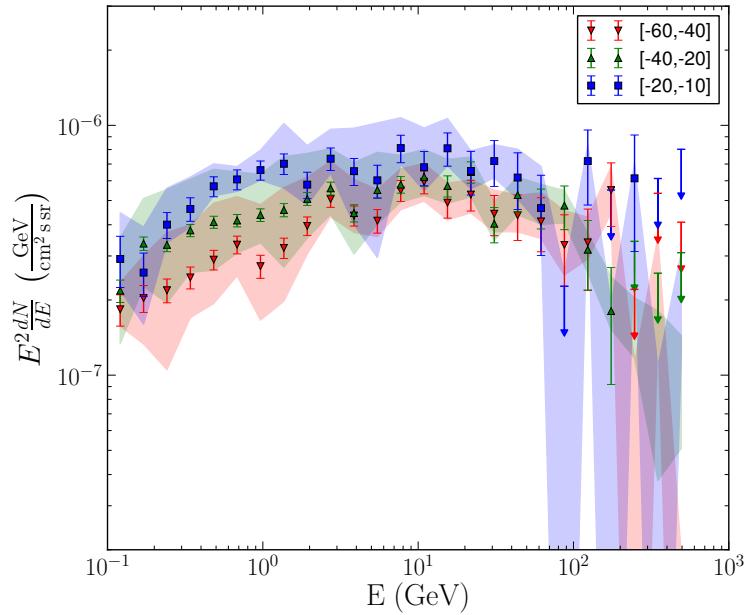
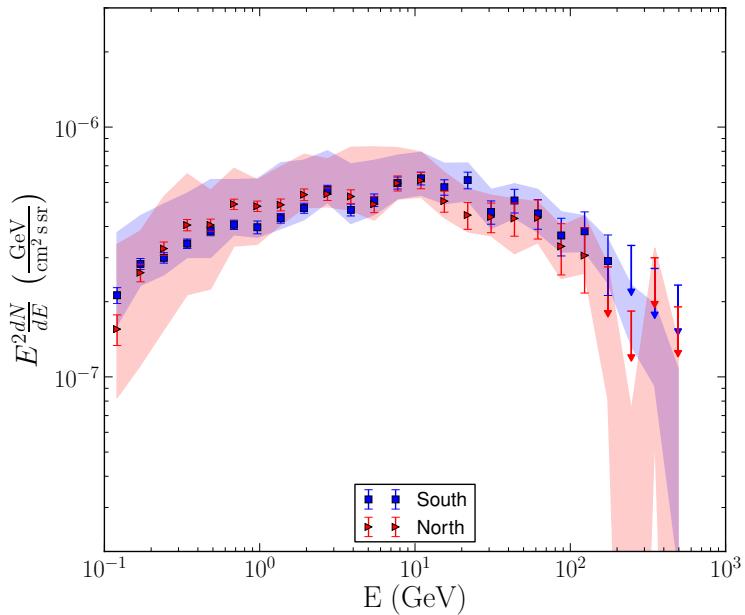
$$\gamma = 1.87 \pm 0.02[\text{stat}]^{+0.14}_{-0.17}[\text{syst}]$$

Gamma-ray luminosity:  $(4.4 \pm 0.1[\text{stat}]^{+2.4}_{-0.9}[\text{syst}]) \times 10^{37} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$

# Spectral Variations



- North and South Bubble have similar spectrum
- All spectral variations within systematic errors

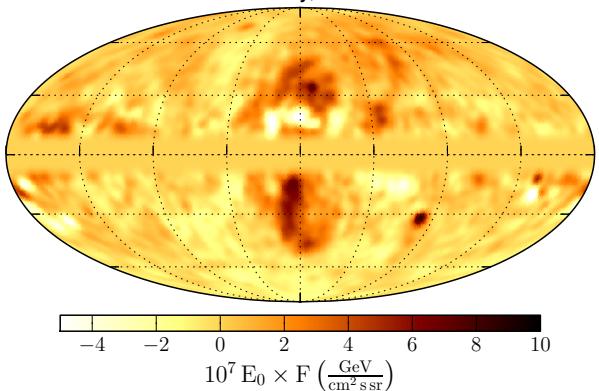


# Shape at Different Energies

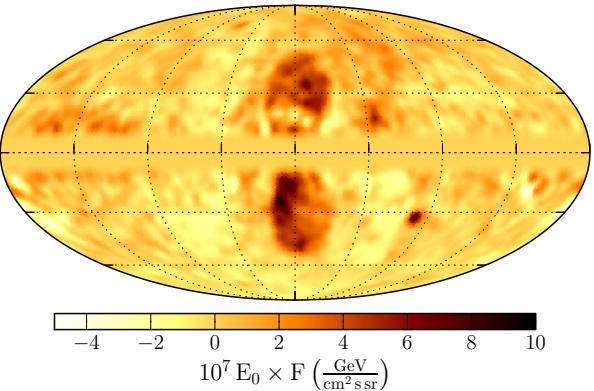


No change in bubble shape with energy found

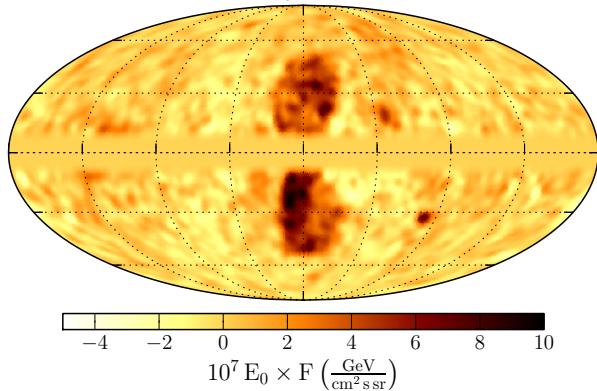
Residual intensity,  $E = 1 - 3 \text{ GeV}$



Residual intensity,  $E = 3 - 10 \text{ GeV}$



Residual intensity,  $E = 10 - 500 \text{ GeV}$

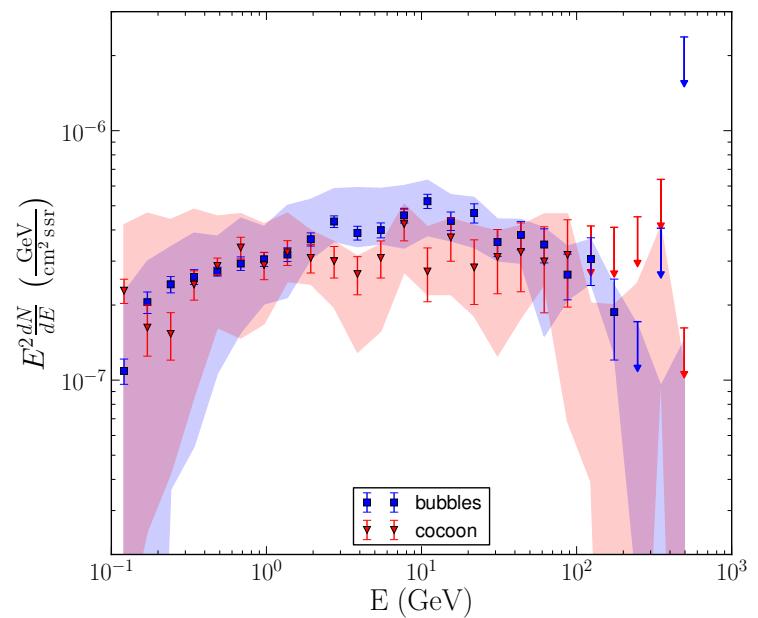
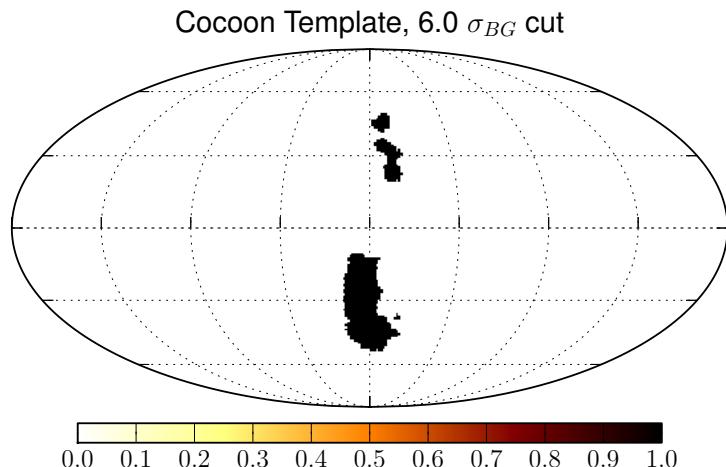
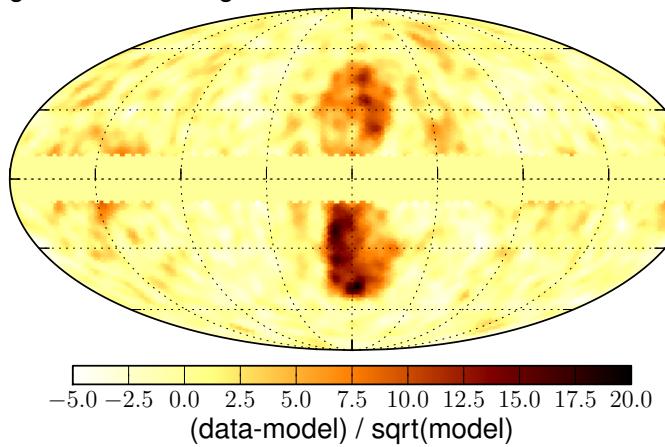


# Substructure – “Cocoon”



- **Excess emission in South East of the bubbles**
- **Variation in spectral shape within systematic errors**

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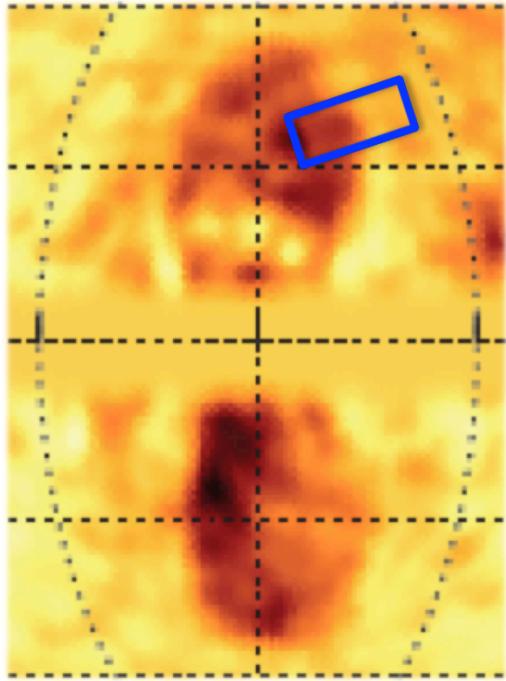


**No evidence for a pair of jets as claimed in Su and Finkbeiner (ApJ 753, 2012)**

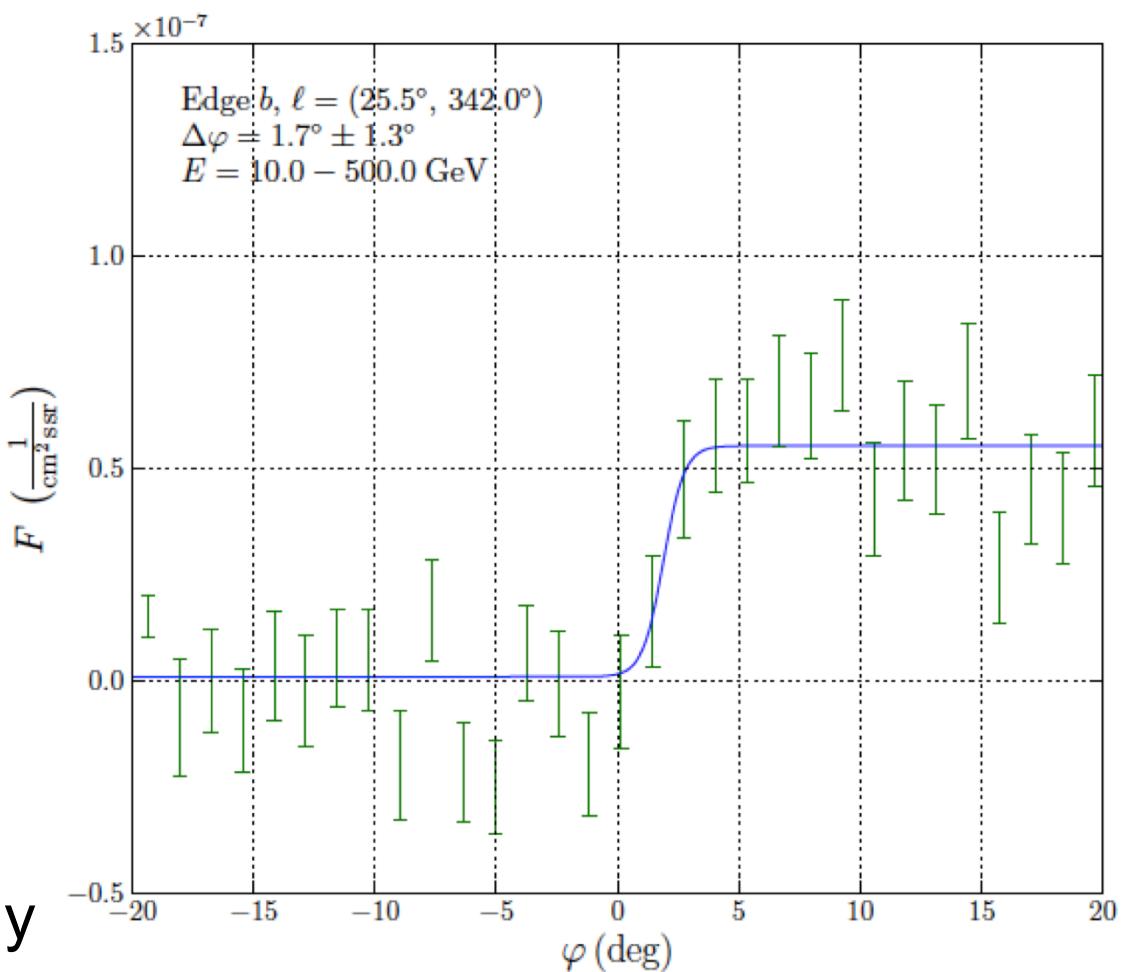
# Boundary of the Bubbles



## Residual map



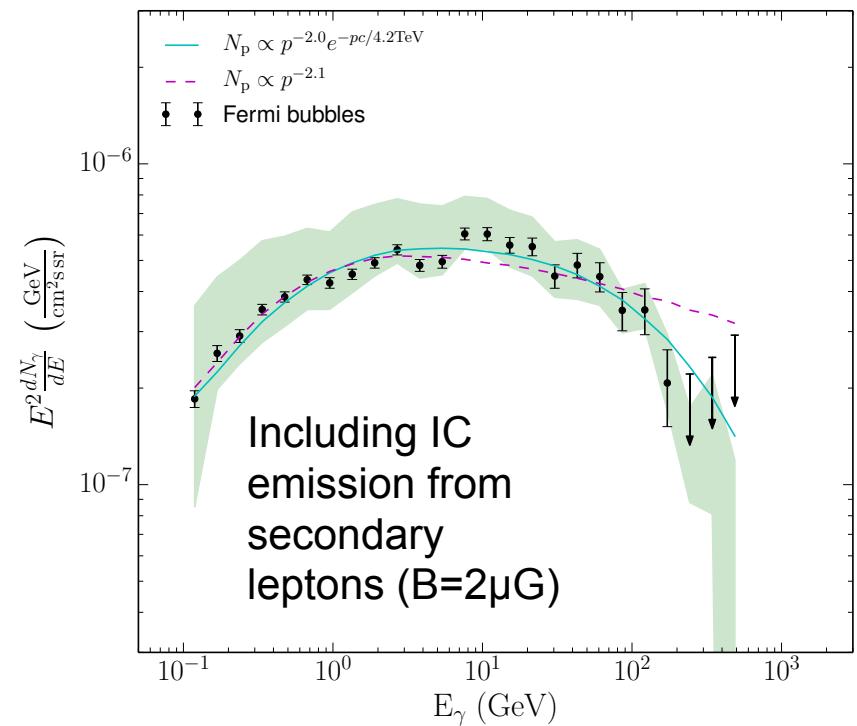
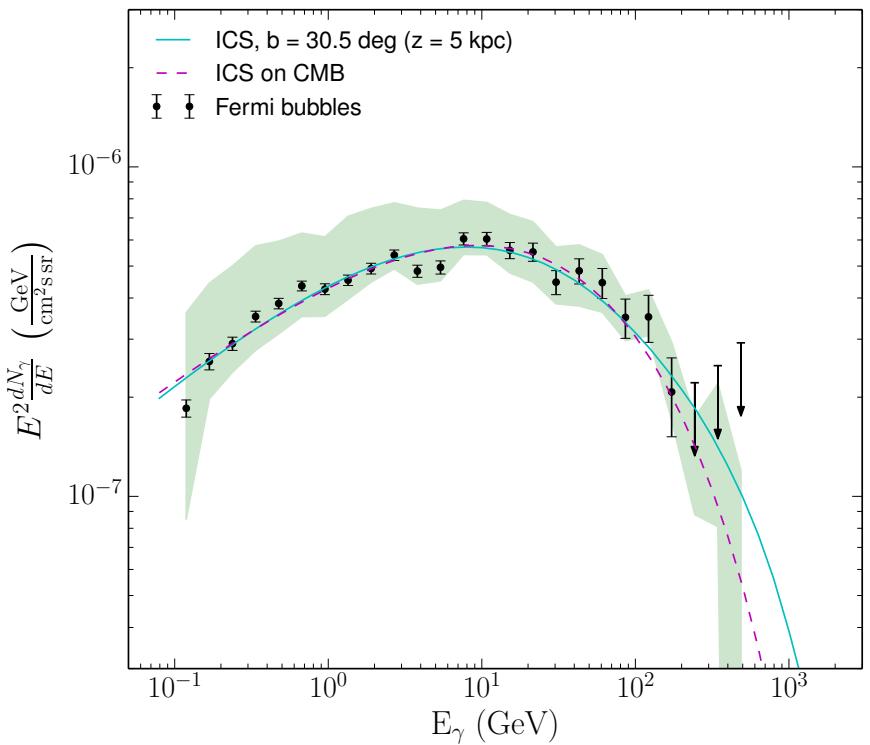
Average width:  $3.4^{+3.7}_{-2.6}$   
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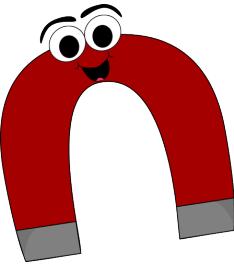
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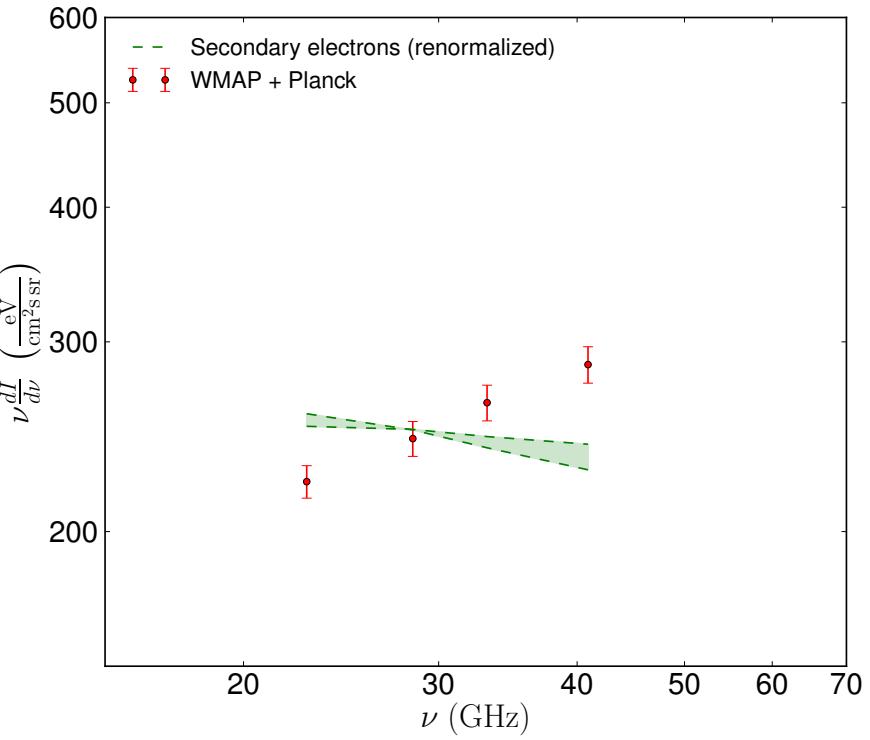
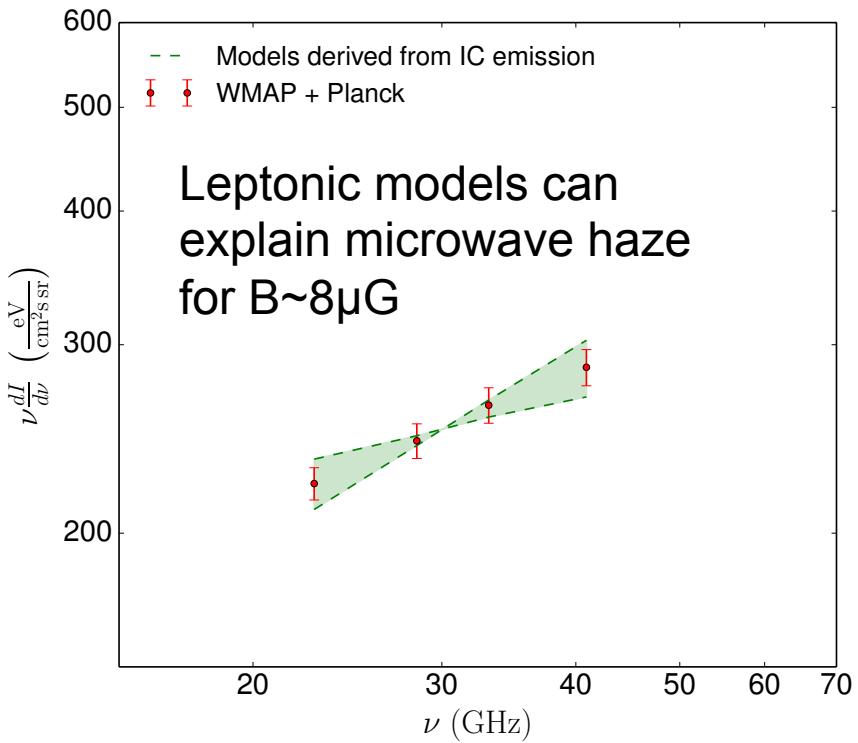
- Both leptonic and hadronic models describe the gamma-ray spectrum well



# Leptonic, Hadronic, Gin & Tonic?



- Assuming that the microwave haze and the gamma-ray bubbles are produced by the same population of electrons: hadronic model fails to describe the spectral shape

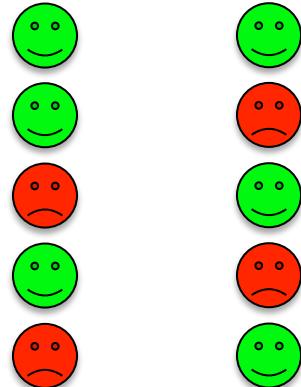


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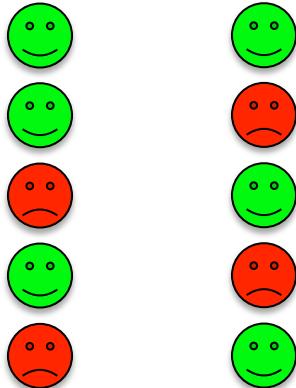


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## Leptonic / Hadronic



**Possible leptonic scenario:**  
**(Mertsch, Sarkar, Guo, Mathews etc.):**

- Jets from the black hole create shock front
- Shock front dissipates, but leaves plasma turbulences behind
- Electrons are accelerated on the turbulences with a characteristic time less than the cooling time

**Possible hadronic scenario: (Crocker, Aharonian):**

- Wind from SNRs produces CR during several billions of years
- Magnetic fields confine the CR in the bubble volume
- WMAP haze produced by  $\sim 30$  GeV electrons in the SNR wind which have a characteristic cooling time  $\sim 10$  Myr



Thank you



# BACKUP

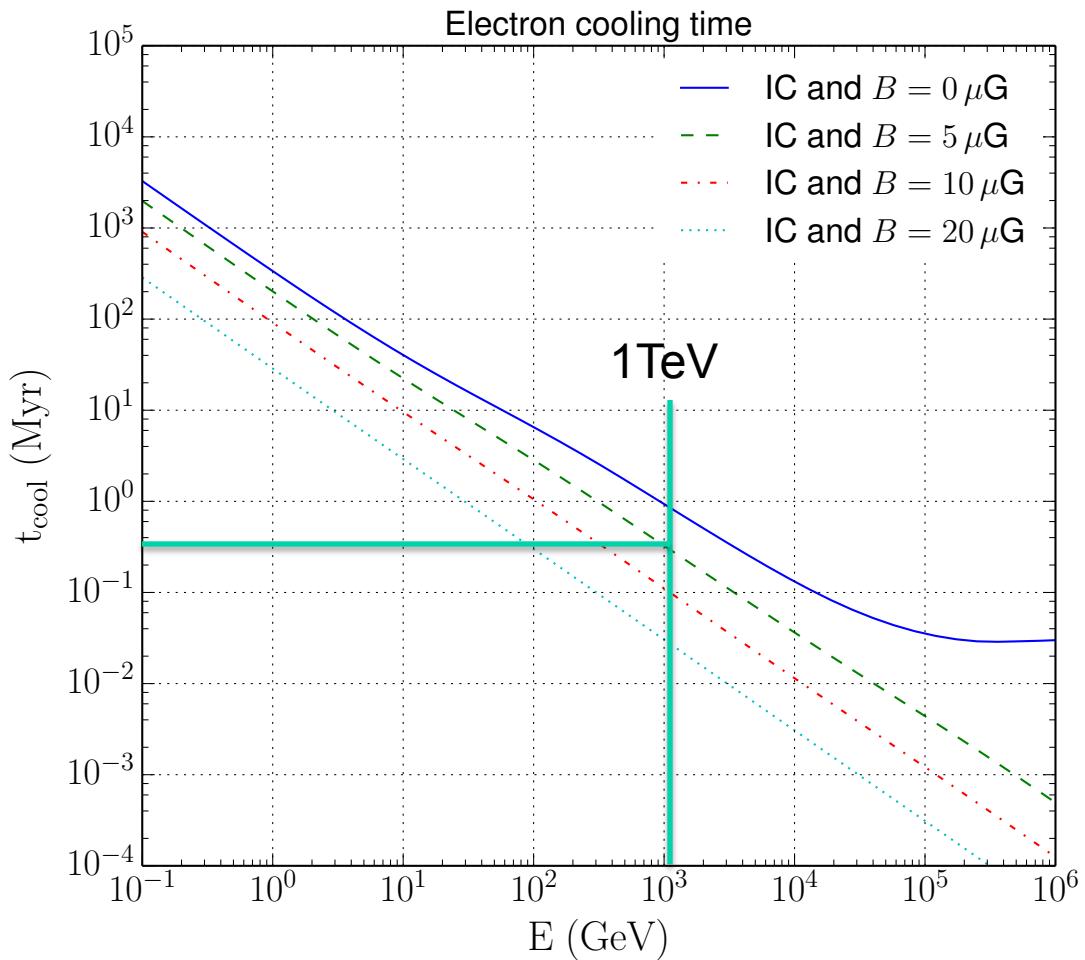
# Leptonic Model – Electron Cooling Time



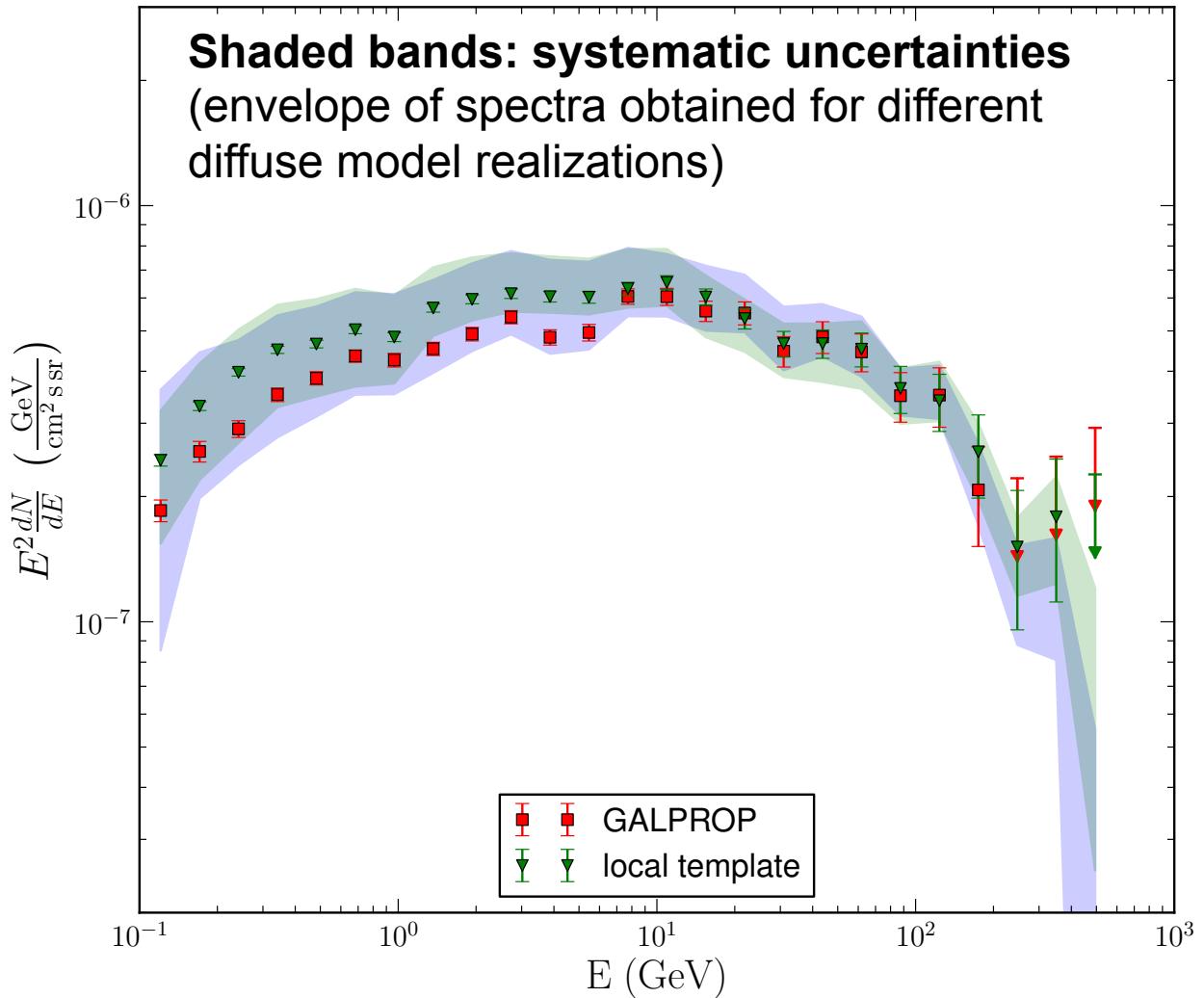
**Gamma rays in the bubbles are mainly produced by  $\sim 1\text{TeV}$  electrons:  $\sim 0.5 \text{ Myr}$  cooling time**

$t_{\text{cool}} < t_{\text{formation}}$   $\rightarrow$  Expansion speed of the bubbles of  $\sim 20,000 \text{ km/s}$

Reacceleration? E.g. plasma wave turbulences (Mertsch & Sakar, 2011)



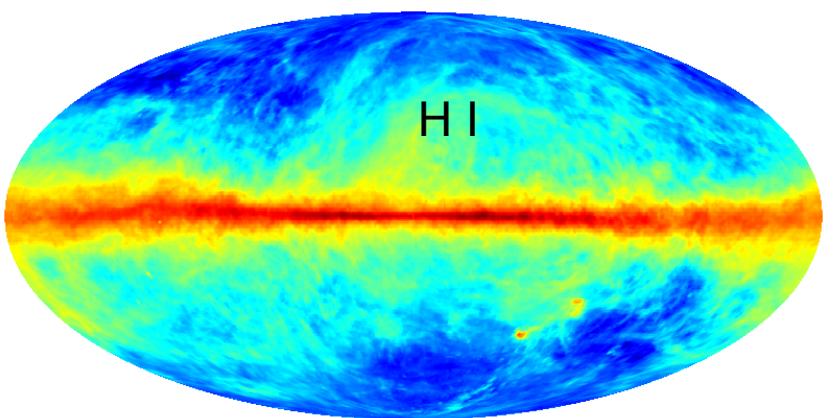
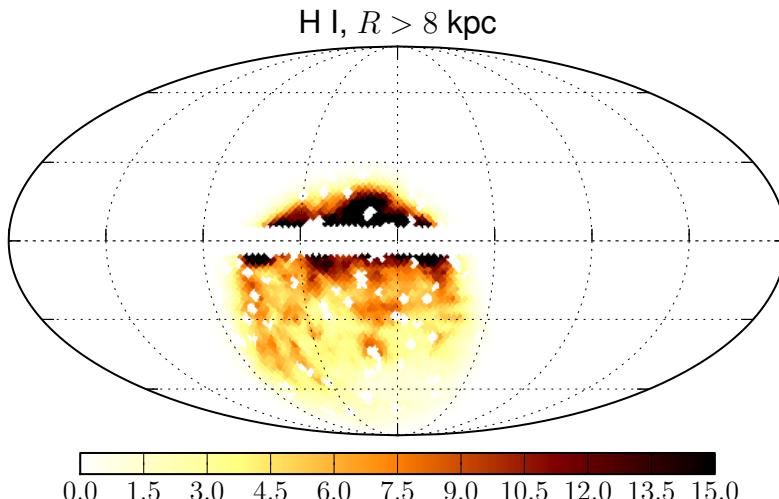
# Spectrum – two methods



# Alternative Galactic Modeling: Local template Analysis



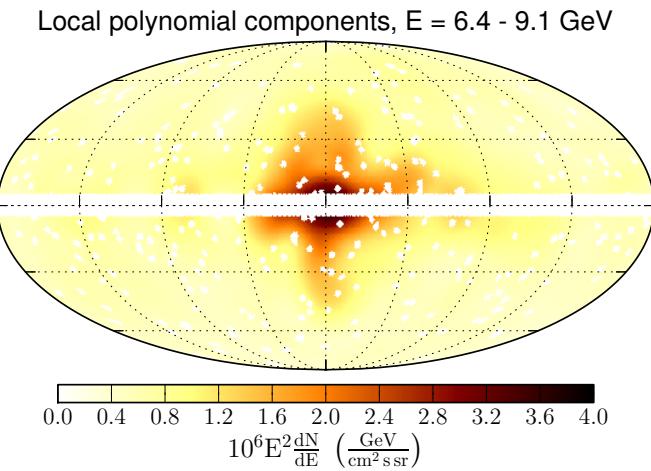
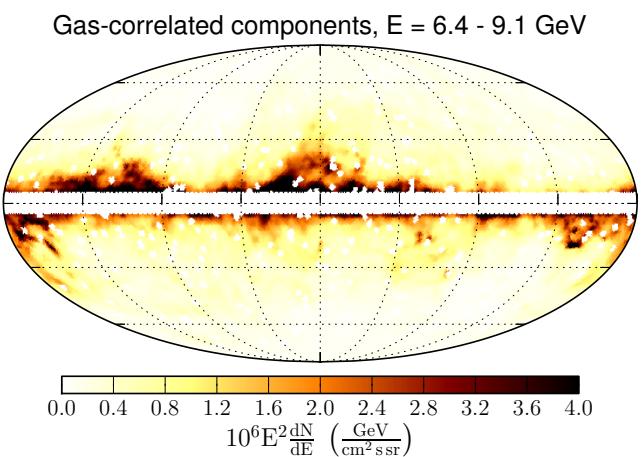
- Does not depend on GALPROP
- Does not assume azimuthal symmetry (e.g. violated for spiral arms)
- Gas maps used to trace gamma-ray emission in small patches
  - H I and CO survey, SFD dust map
  - Scaling factor is proportional to line of sight cosmic-ray density



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  - Other components (IC, bubbles, Loop I) are assumed to be smooth or not correlated with the gas and are modeled by spatial polynomial

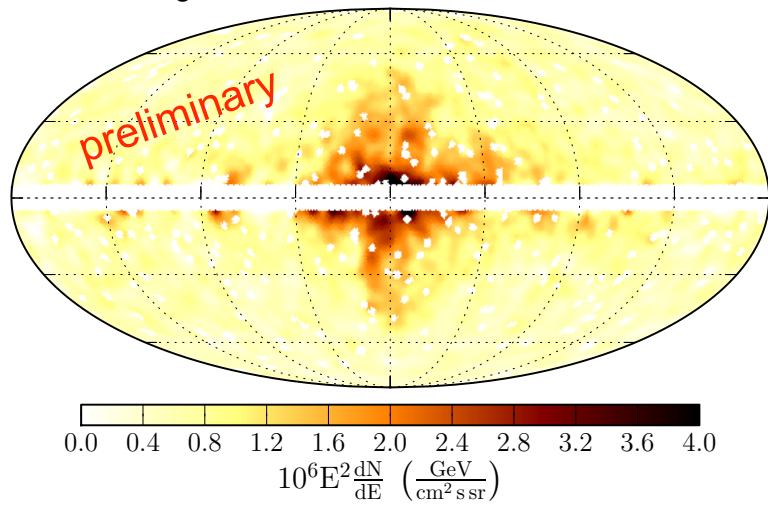


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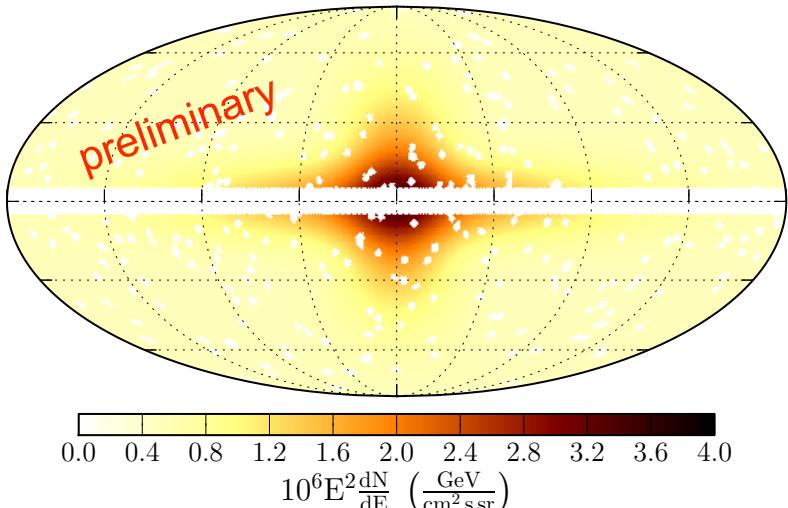


- After subtraction of the gas component, the IC is modeled with a bivariate Gaussian along the Galactic plane
- Other components (Loop I and bubbles) are estimated with Gaussian perpendicular to the plane

Data minus gas-correlated emission,  $E = 6.4 - 9.1$  GeV



Gaussian model,  $E = 6.4 - 9.1$  GeV



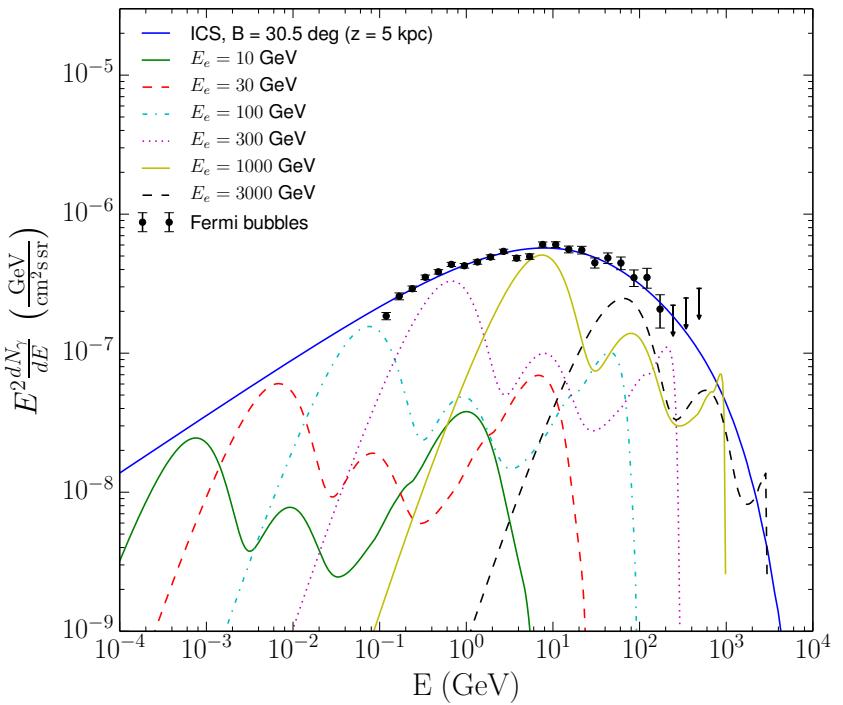
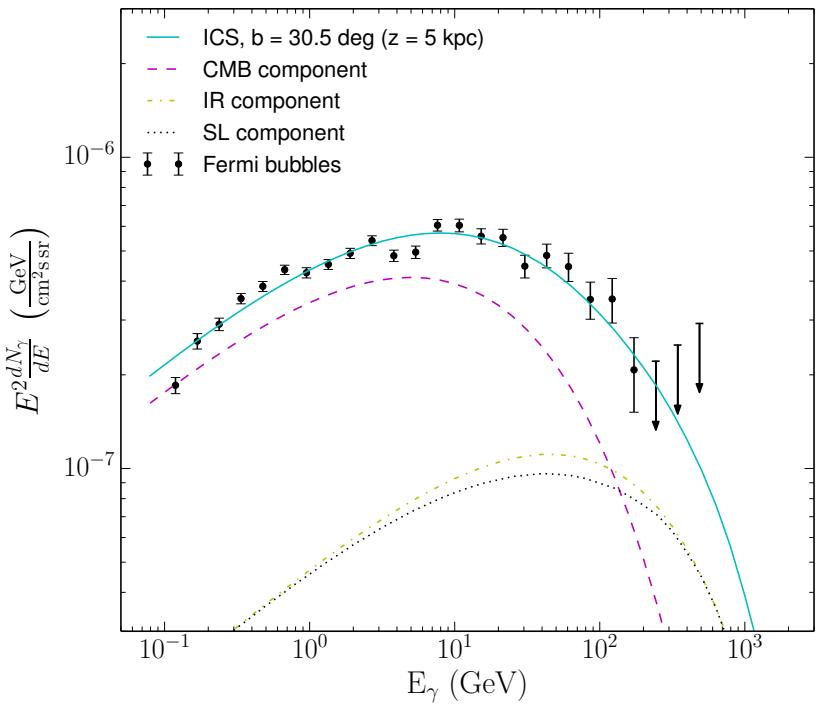
# Systematic Uncertainties



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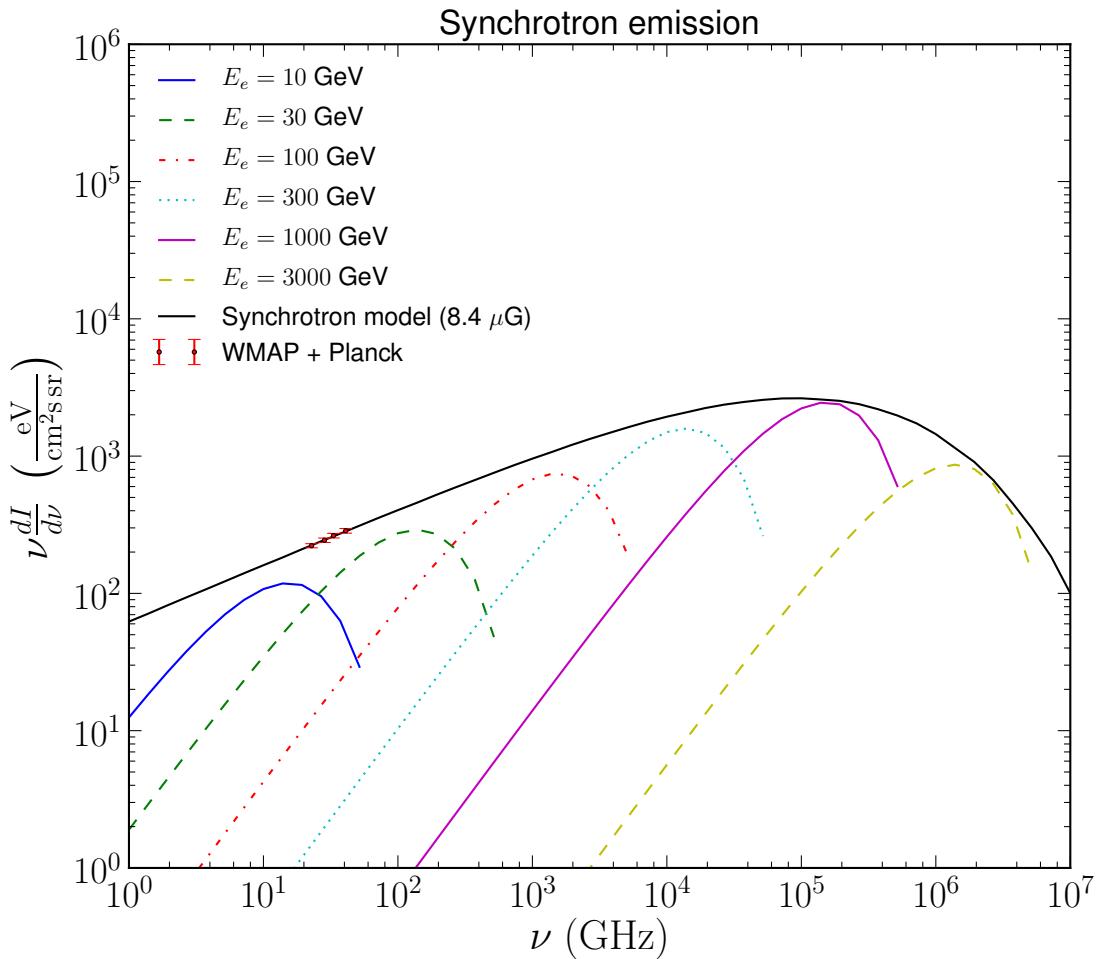
- Instrument related:
  - Systematic error in the effective area (2012 ApJS, 203)
- Galactic modeling:
  - The choice of the input GALPROP configuration might influence the extracted bubble features
    - Cosmic-ray source distribution:
      - Pulsars, SNR
    - Size of cosmic-ray confinement volume (halo size)
      - Cylindrical geometry with  $R = 20, 30$  kpc and  $z = 4, 10$  kpc
    - Spin temperature (optical depth correction of the H I component obtained from 21cm survey)
      - $T = 150K$ , optically thin
    - LoopI template
    - Bubble template
  - Alternative analysis method based on fits in local patches

envelope

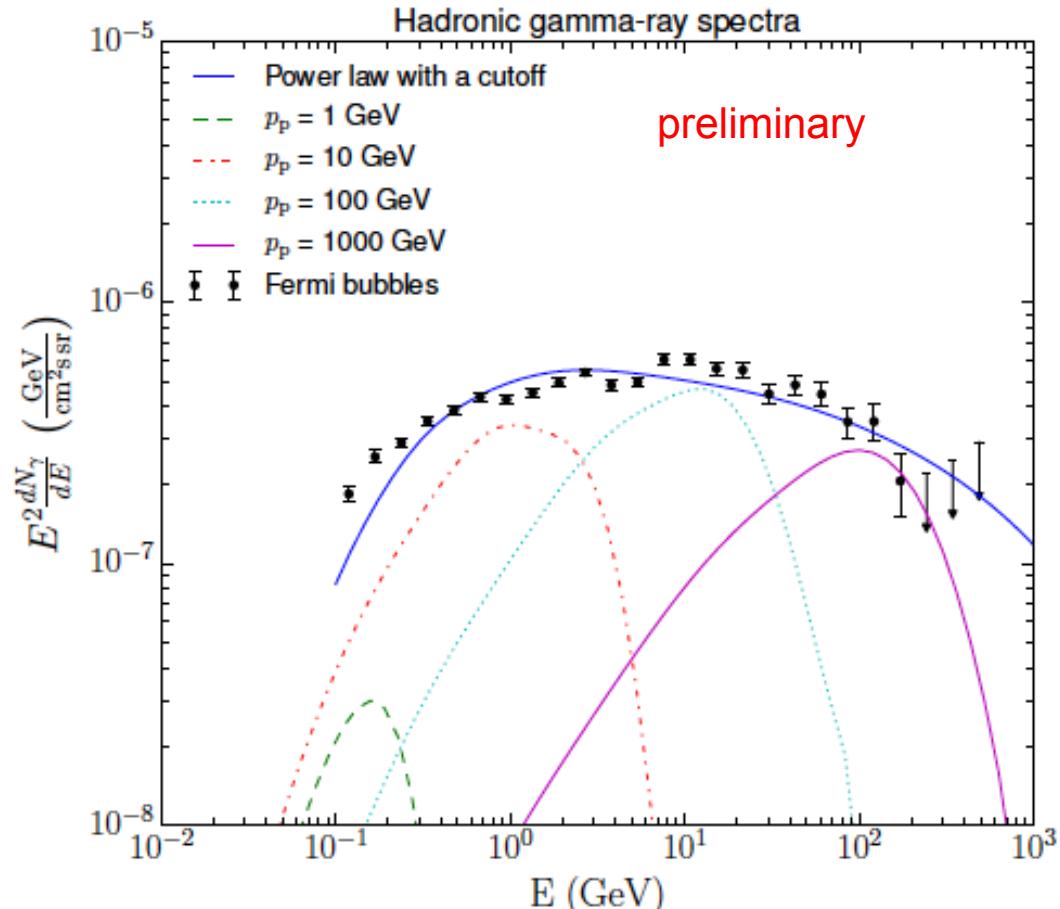


Energy in electrons  $(1.0 \pm 0.2[\text{stat}]^{+6.0}_{-1.0}[\text{syst}]) \times 10^{52}$  erg

# Synchrotron emission

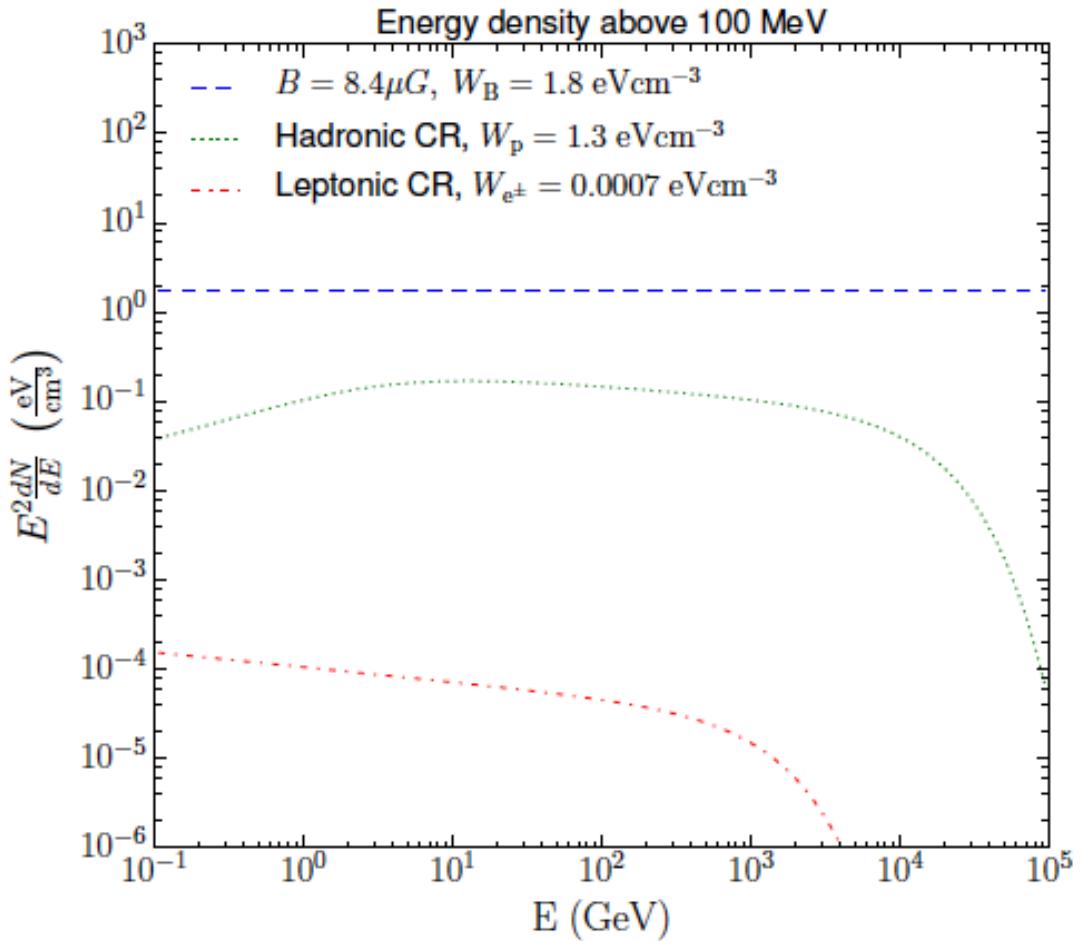


# Hadronic gamma-ray spectrum

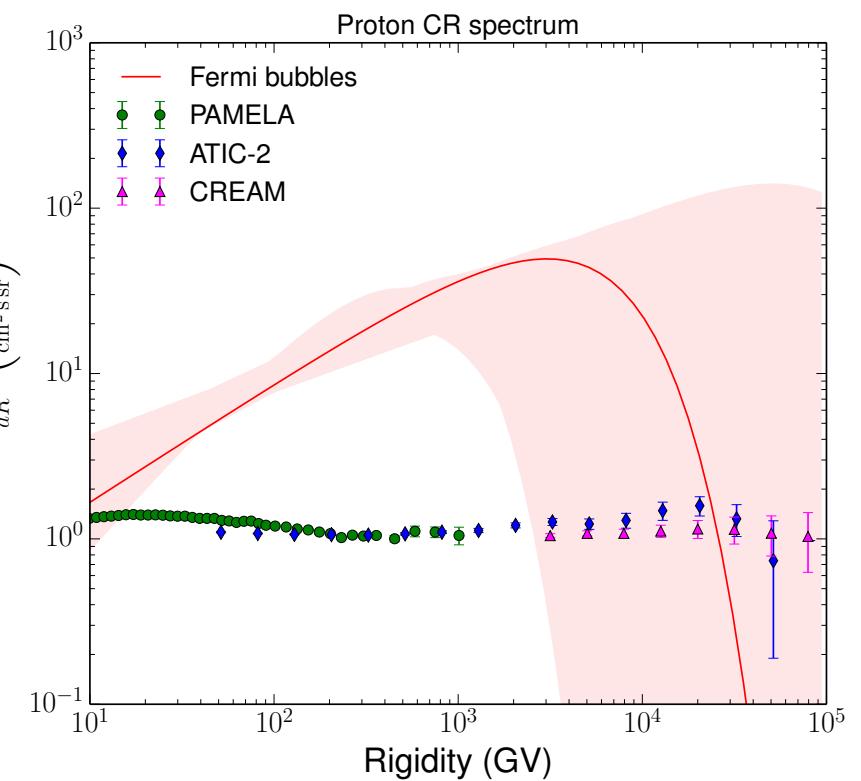
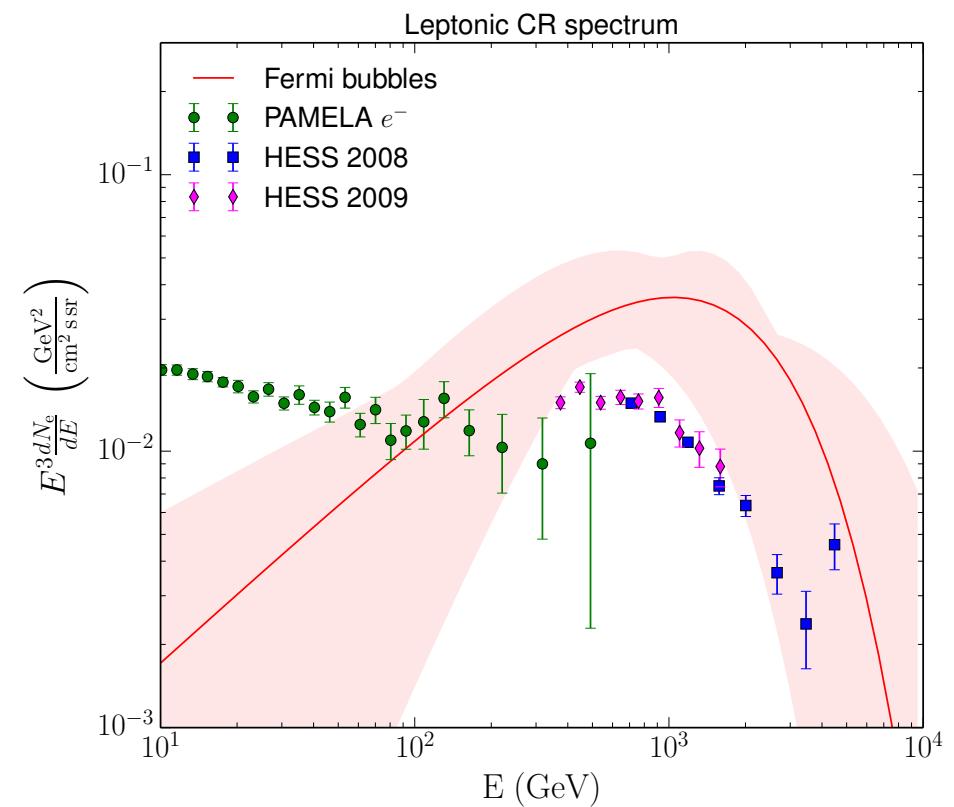


Energy in protons  $(3.5 \pm 0.1[\text{stat}]^{+4.7}_{-3.0}[\text{syst}]) \times 10^{55} \left( \frac{0.01 \text{ cm}^{-3}}{n_{\text{H}}} \right) \text{ erg}$

# Energy density



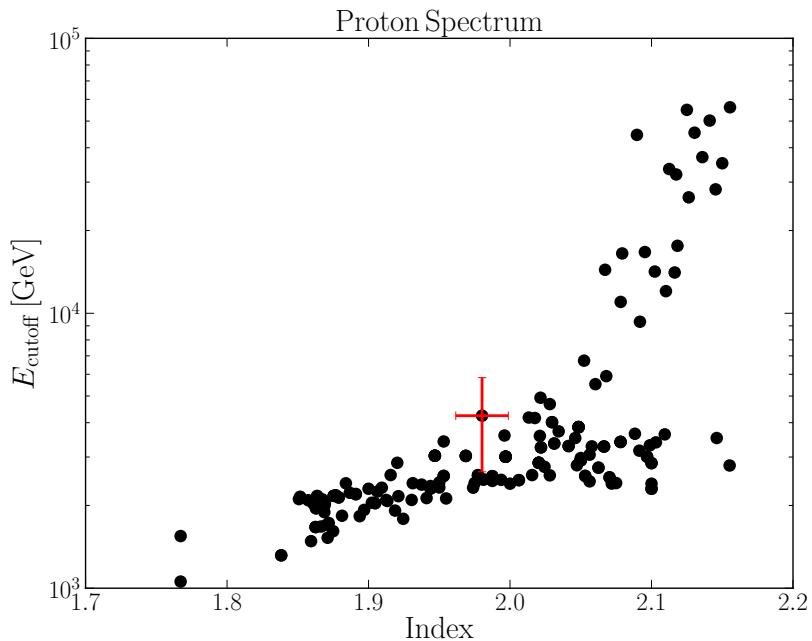
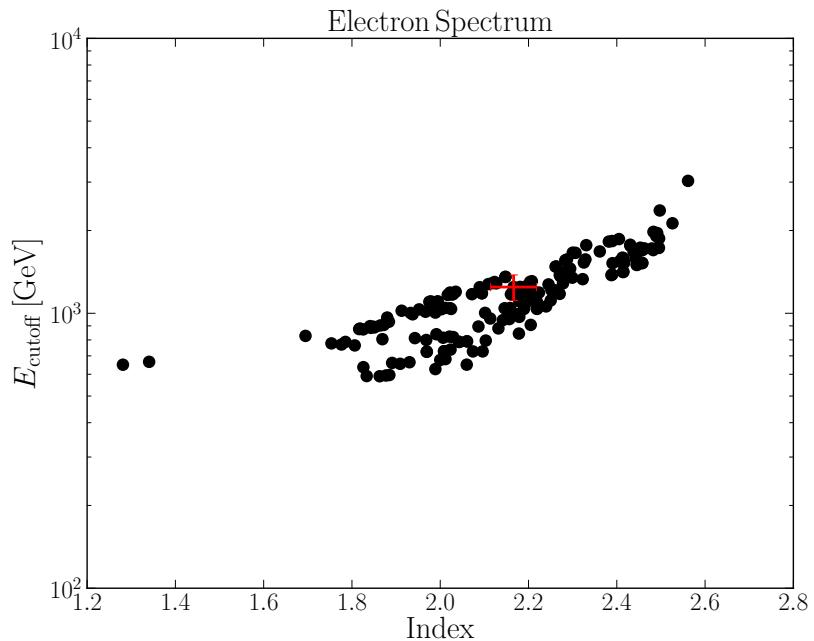
# Comparison to local spectra



# Leptonic, Hadronic, Gin Tonic?



- Electron and proton spectral parameter



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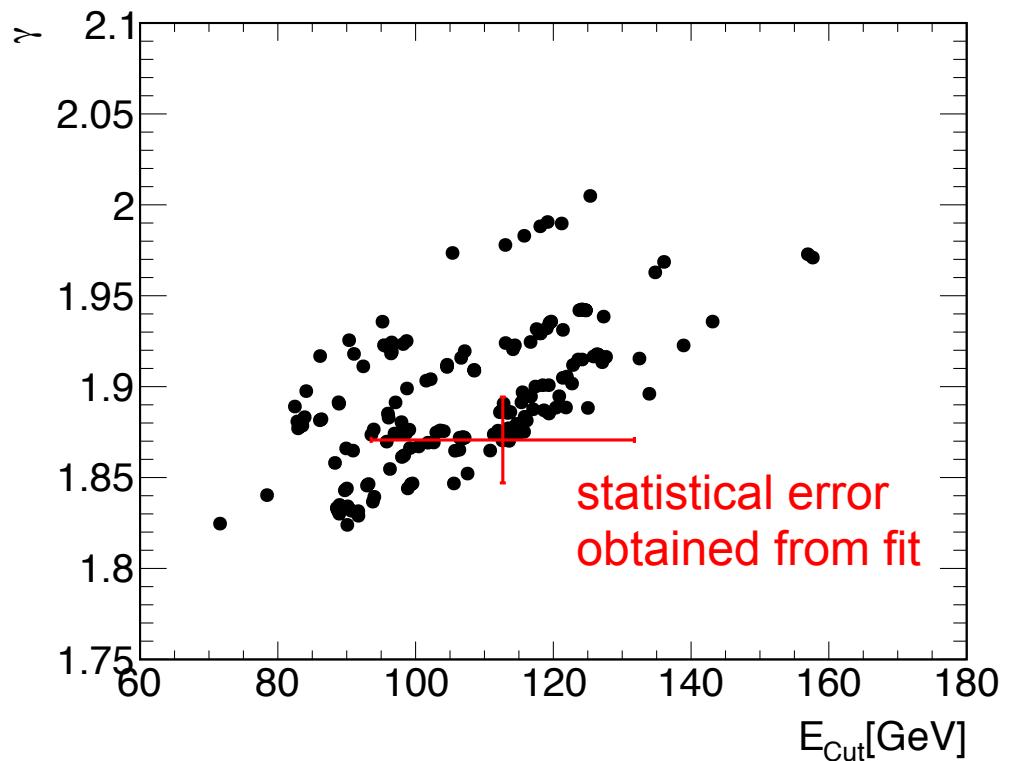
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# Spectrum – Cutoff



- Well described by log parabola or power law with exponential cutoff: cutoff at  $\sim 110$  GeV, index 1.9

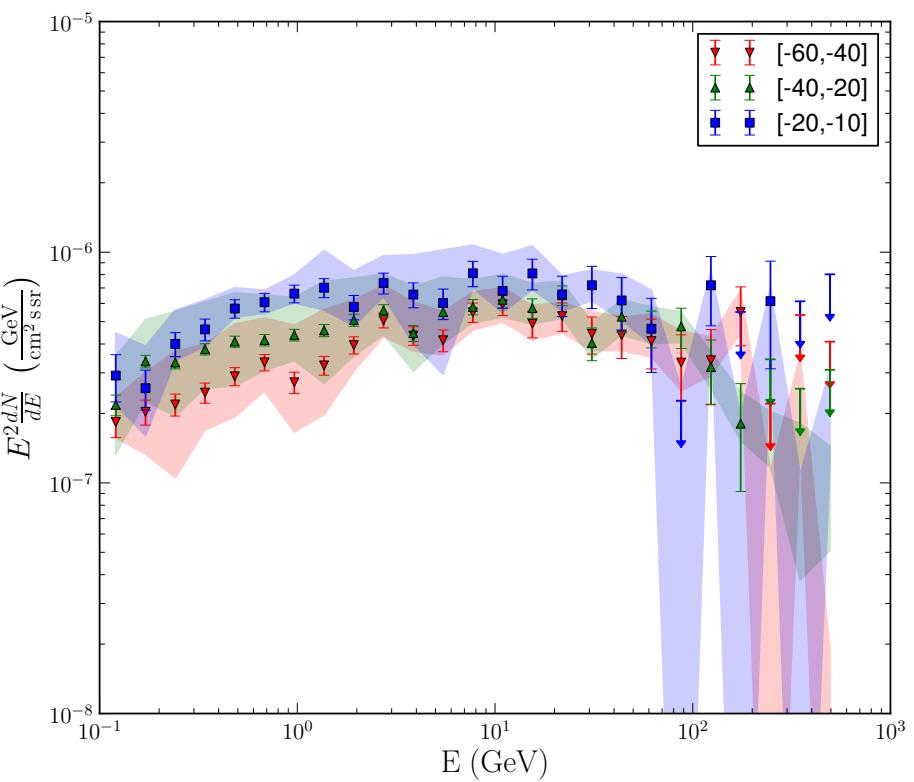
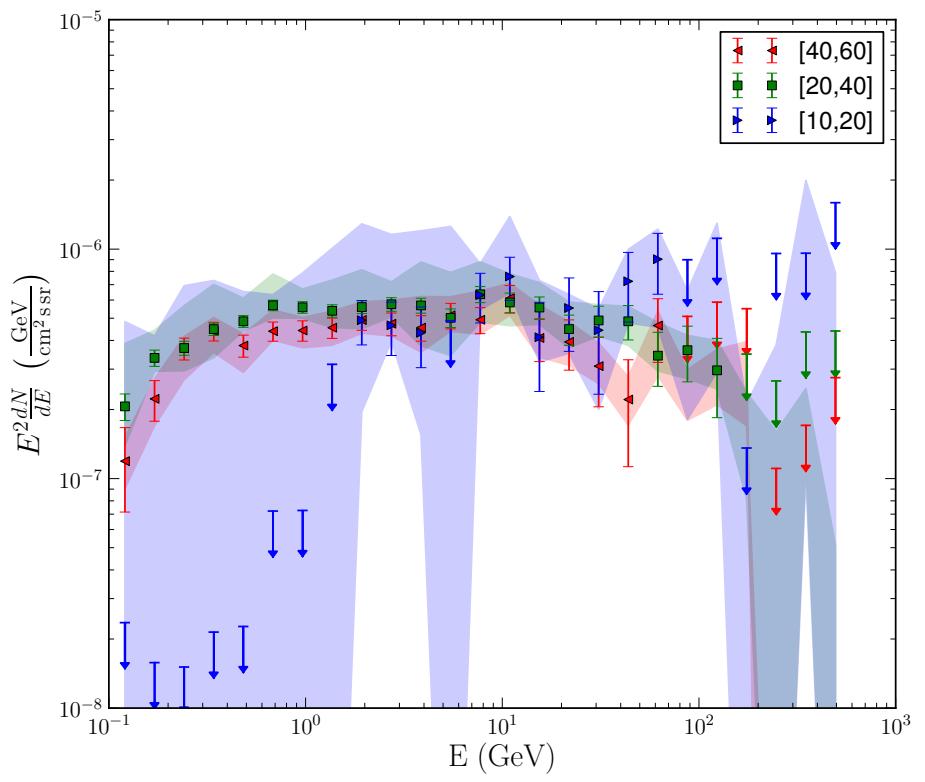


each dot represents a different diffuse model realization

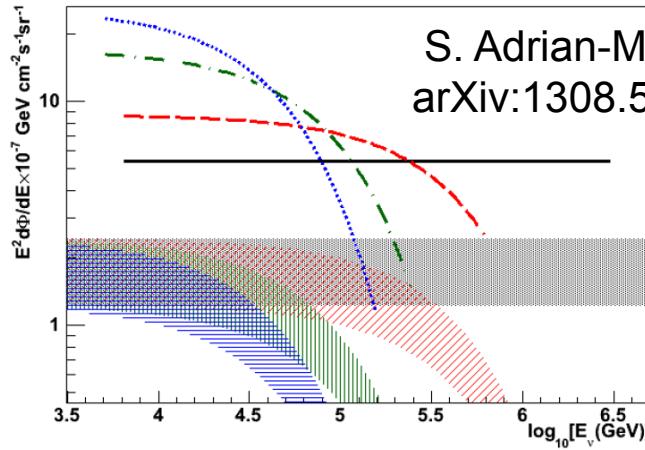
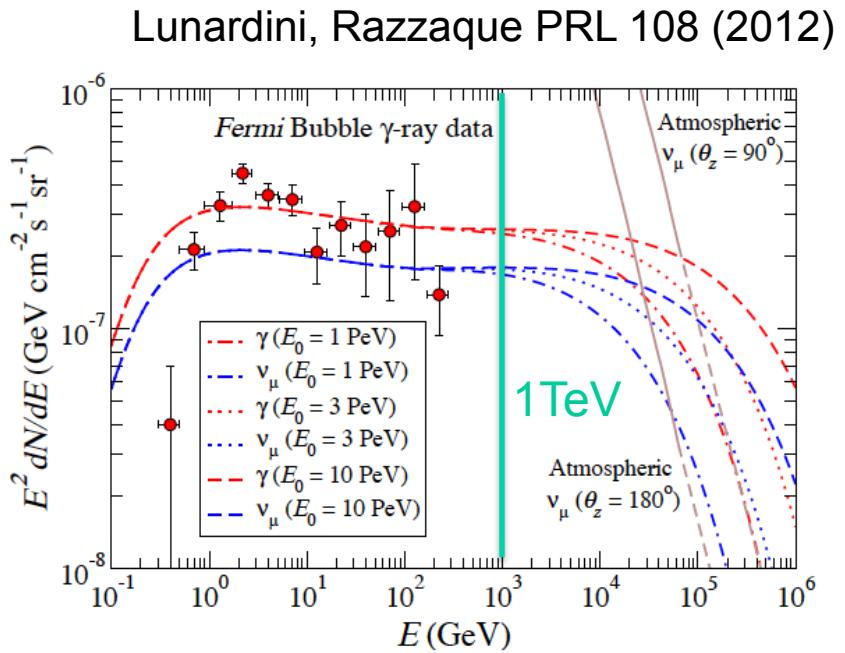
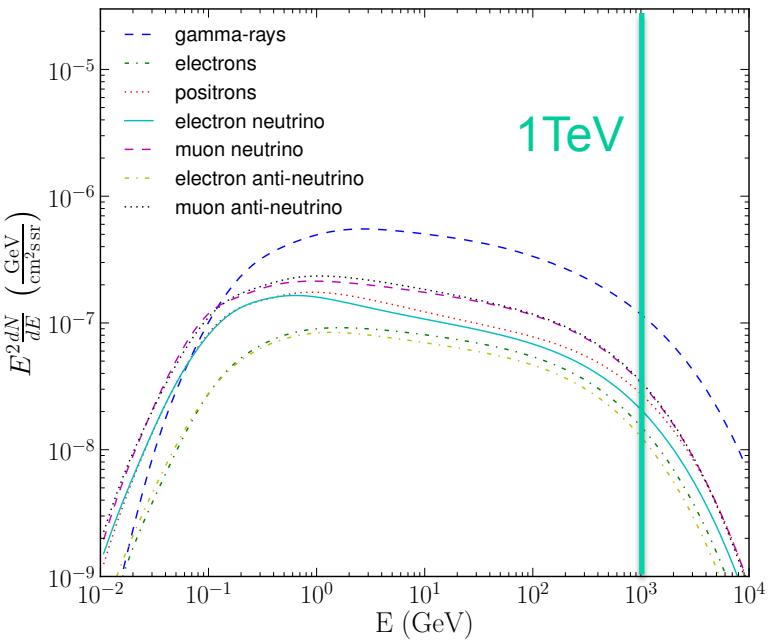
# Spectral Variations



- No spectral variation in latitude stripes within systematic uncertainties**



# Neutrino from the Fermi Bubbles



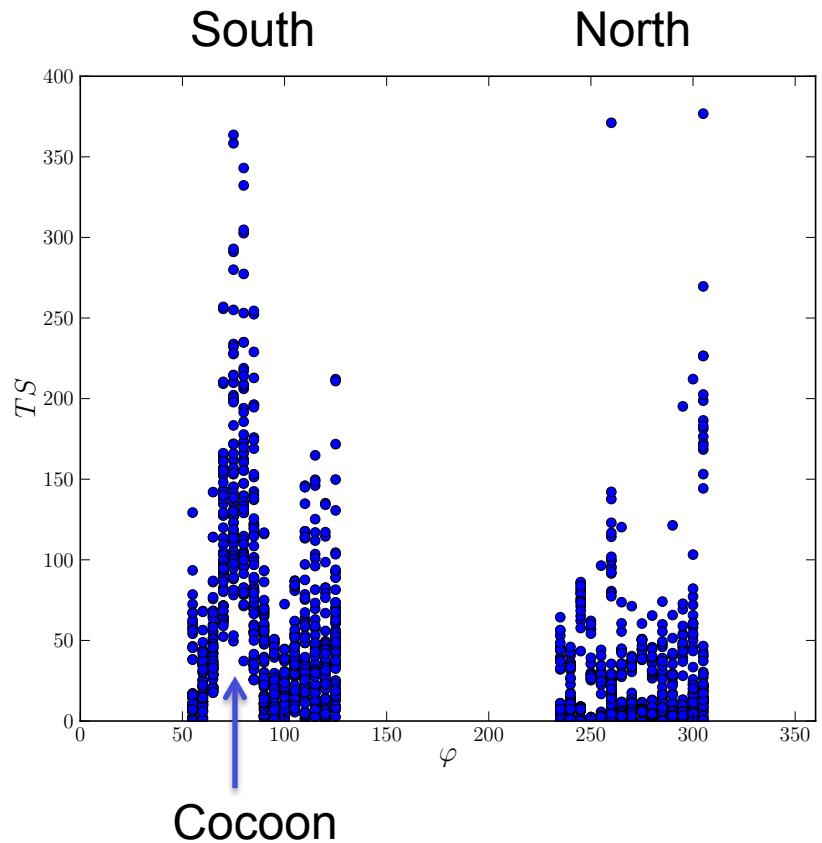
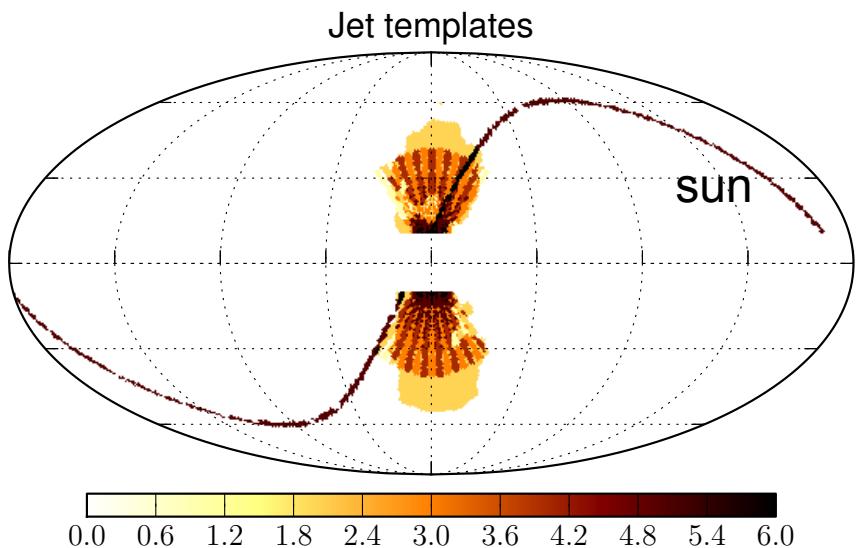
No cutoff  
500TeV  
100TeV  
50TeV

- **Antares data analysis: data from 2008 to 2011**
- **various energy cutoffs tested**
- **no statistically significant excess of events is observed → upper limits on the neutrino flux**

# Substructure – Existence of “Jets”



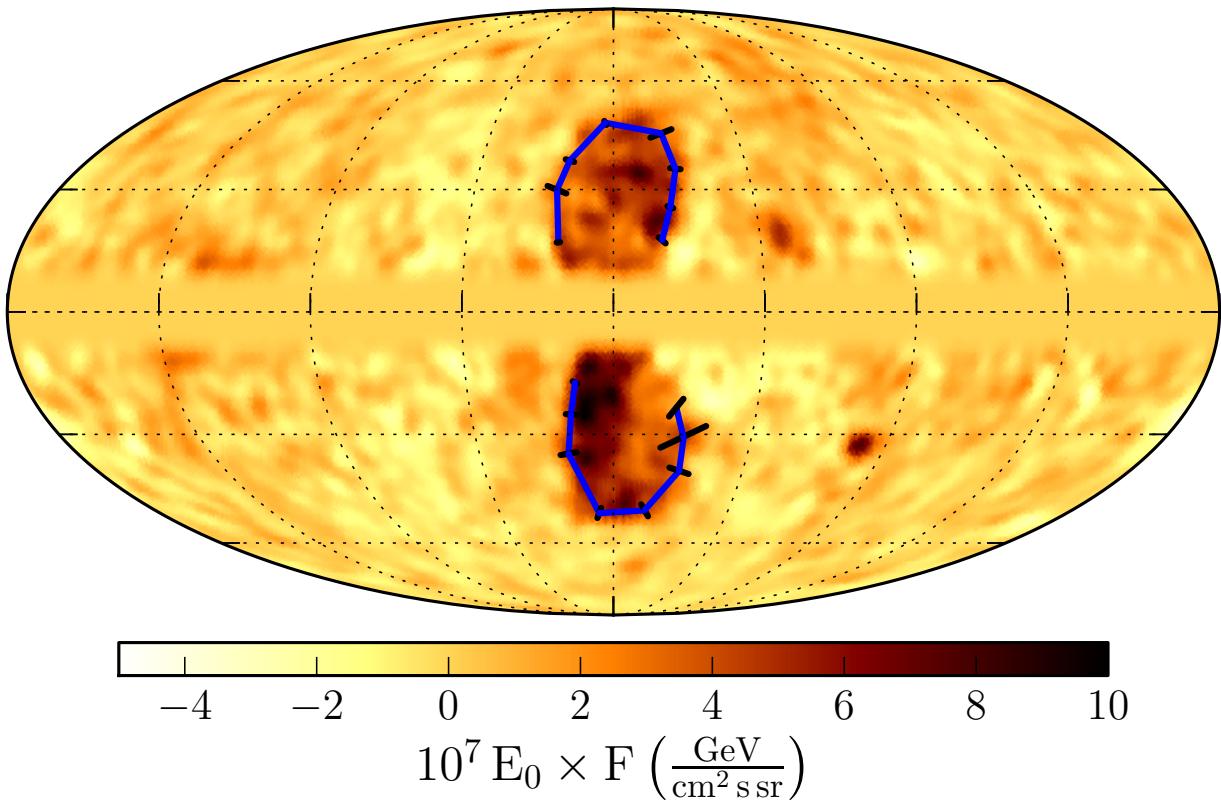
- No significant residuals found aligned along a specific direction that could be interpreted as a jet



# Boundary of the Bubbles

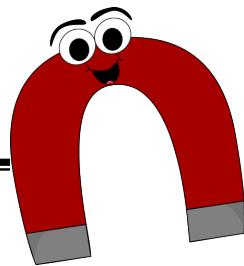


Residual intensity,  $E = 10 - 500 \text{ GeV}$



No variation with energy found, but some variation with position

# Leptonic Models – Magnetic Field



- Leptonic models can explain microwave haze for  $B \sim 8\mu\text{G}$
- Drop in magnetic field at latitudes of  $|b| \sim 35^\circ$  could explain different latitudinal extension

